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On 16 December 1953, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Gardelegen was occupied to capacity by about 1,300 to 2,000 men wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets. Some wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. About 400 men received combat training on the training ground, which formerly served as airfield. About 60 men trained ^{with} four heavy mortars near the Gardelegen-Stendal road and along the embankment of the railroad line leading to the billets. About 80 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets performed forest-clearing and grading work east of the barracks installation outside the barracks fence.

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Mtz Rifle Regt and the 780th Gun Arty Regt of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div at the
Fliegerhorst Kaserne prior to mid-December.

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